

clerk of the circuit court for the particular county where such fine may accrue, or to the clerk of the criminal court of Baltimore if such fine shall accrue in said city, and it shall be the duty of the State's attorney for the several counties and for the city of Baltimore to keep an account of said fines imposed and to make a monthly report thereof to the clerk of the circuit court for their respective counties or to said clerk of the criminal court, as the case may be, and to see that said fines are duly collected and paid over as aforesaid, and the surplus, after paying all costs for prosecution in such cases, shall be paid to the State comptroller for the use of the oyster fund, with a statement of the fines imposed and costs of the same; the justice of the peace or clerk of the court which imposes said fine in any and every case shall, in writing, inform the comptroller of the treasury of the fine, upon whom laid and the amount of said fine, with date of same. Any one who shall violate any provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof before any judge or justice of the peace in this State shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than three hundred dollars, in the discretion of the court or justice of the peace before whom such person shall be tried, or be imprisoned in the county jail for not less than one month nor more than six months.

#### **Dredging.**

1894, ch. 380, sec. 18.

**19.** No steamer shall be used or employed in catching or taking oysters in the waters of the State with scoop, dredge or similar instrument, and no other boat shall be used in catching oysters with scoop, dredge or similar instrument without first having been licensed as hereinafter provided.

1894, ch. 380, sec. 19. 1900, ch. 380.

**20.** The comptroller of the treasury shall upon application of any person who has been a resident of this State for twelve consecutive months next preceding his application, issue a license to such resident, and to no other person, to employ such boat in taking or catching oysters with scoop, dredge or similar instrument within the waters of the Chesapeake bay, Potomac river and in Eastern bay, outside of a line drawn from the southwest corner of First Kent Point to north end of Poplar Island; provided, that nothing herein contained shall